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UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS

CATHY A. CATTERSON, CLERK U.S. COURT OF APPEALS

FOR THE NINTH CIRCUIT

PAUL DARNELL TAYLOR,

Plaintiff - Appellant,

v.

TERRY L. STEWART, Director, sued in individual & official capacity; et al.,

Defendants - Appellees.

No. 03-16793

D.C. No. CV-01-01708-MHM

MEMORANDUM*

Appeal from the United States District Court for the District of Arizona Mary H. Murguia, District Judge, Presiding

Submitted February 13, 2006**

Before: FERNANDEZ, RYMER, and BYBEE, Circuit Judges.

Paul Darnell Taylor, an Arizona state prisoner, appeals pro se from the district court's judgment dismissing, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1915(e)(2)(B)(ii)

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^{**} The panel unanimously finds this case suitable for decision without oral argument. *See* Fed. R. App. P. 34(a)(2).

and 1915A, his 42 U.S.C. § 1983 action against various prison officials alleging denial of due process in disciplinary proceedings. We have jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1291. After de novo review, *Resnick v. Hayes*, 213 F.3d 443, 447 (9th Cir. 2000), we affirm in part, vacate in part, and remand.

The district court properly dismissed Taylor's due process claims because his challenge to the procedures used in disciplinary proceedings that resulted in the loss of good-time credits necessarily implied the invalidity of the punishment imposed. *See Edwards v. Balisok*, 520 U.S. 641, 644-48 (1997). We vacate the judgment to the extent it dismisses Taylor's action with prejudice, and we remand for entry of judgment dismissing the action without prejudice as to the claims barred under *Balisok*. *See Blueford v. Prunty*, 108 F.3d 251, 255 (9th Cir. 1997).

To the extent Taylor's section 1983 claims were also based on the alleged deprivation of his property, the district court properly dismissed them because Taylor had an adequate post-deprivation remedy under Arizona law. *See Barnett v. Centoni*, 31 F.3d 813, 815-16 (9th Cir. 1994) (per curiam); *Howland v. State*, 818 P.2d 1169, 1172-73 (Ariz. App. 1991).

Taylor's remaining contentions lack merit.

The parties shall bear their own costs on appeal.

AFFIRMED in part, VACATED in part, and REMANDED